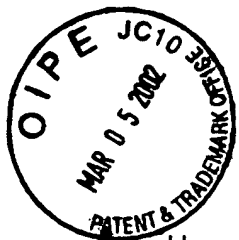


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Re: U.S. Patent Application
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Inventor(s): Toui et al
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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the
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1. Transmittal Letter to USPTO;
2. Petition For Correction of the Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.181;
3. Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.68;
4. Exhibit A: a copy of the Request for Corrected Filing Receipt documents
previously filed with the USPTO;
5. Exhibit B: a copy of the our check to cover the filing fee for the application
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6. Our check in the amount of \$200.00 to cover the petition fee (37 C.F.R. §
1.17); and
7. 1 return postcard

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of
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Respectfully submitted,

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